



# Scouters' Annual Conference 2023

## #SAC2023

### CONFERENCE GUIDE AND CLASS CATALOG

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## Why attend #SAC2023?

The Scouters' Annual Conference (SAC) training event for adult and youth leaders offered by the Transatlantic Council is designed to supplement the educational experience of any Scout leader. The Classes offered provide skills for first-time leaders to experienced leaders. This year discussions will range from how to keep the fun in Scouting to all the "need to know" while Scouting in the overseas environment.

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*Every Scout deserves a trained leader,  
and every leader deserves to be trained!*

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## When and Where?

SAC2023 will run the weekend of 6-8 October 2023. The Frankfurt International School, one of our Chartered Organizations, has graciously offered to host this year's Conference in their facilities.

Frankfurt International School is located approximately 15 km north of Frankfurt.  
The address is: An der Waldlust 15 ✦ 61440 Oberursel, Germany



## Who can attend?

SAC2023 is open to all Scout Leaders, Youth Leaders, Chartered Organizations, and parents within the Transatlantic Council. Adults may register to attend any class regardless of program designation, except the Youth Leadership classes.



## Conference Highlights

### MIDWAY

The Midway will be in the main hall and open the duration of the conference.

**Displays** explaining the many opportunities within the Transatlantic Council to enhance your Scouting program will be available to visit at your leisure.

### MOBILE TRADING POST

The Council's Mobile Trading Post will also be located in the Midway and available for the duration of the conference to fill your Scouting supply needs. Whether it be a uniform, patches, or that itch to get something sentimental – we'll have it for you!

Personal or unit supply needs can be preordered and scheduled for pick up at the conference. Advancement items such as belt loops, pins, ranks, merit badges, etc. are only available through preorder. Email [TAC-ProgramSupplyCenter-802@scouting.org](mailto:TAC-ProgramSupplyCenter-802@scouting.org) for details or questions.



## Registration and Costs

Early Bird registration through 15 September is \$40 per person and includes event materials, refreshments throughout the conference lunch, for \$90 you can purchase the combined SAC and ticket to the Council Recognition Banquet in the evening.

Rates will increase to \$50/\$120 per person from 15 September to the close of registration on 30 September.



## Travel/Transportation

### AIR TRAVEL

For those traveling by air, Frankfurt International is the most convenient airport to arrive.

### RAIL/BUS TRAVEL

These are options to easily access the rail and public transportation system in the area. Both have apps you can download to your phone for easy planning and purchases.

The U3 Waldlust Train stop and Oberursel (Taunus) An der Waldlust Bus stop are both less than a 5-minute walk from the school.



Deutsche Bahn is the State rail and will connect you throughout Germany.



Rhein-Main-Verkehrsverbund manages the public transportation for the Frankfurt Area.

### PARKING FOR THOSE DRIVING

**P** Parking is not authorized on school grounds. Parking is available in the lot directly across from the main entrance to the school or streetside along An d. Waldlust.



## Lodging

Reservations for lodging can be made at the Parkhotel am Tanus – the same location as the Banquet. Their site is: <https://www.parkhotel-am-taunus.de/de/home/>, or you can choose a location to suit your preference.



## Sightseeing

Take time to enjoy and see the sights of Frankfurt region. The Frankfurt Tourism website and their office near the school provide countless options for you and your family to explore your interests in the area. [www.frankfurt-tourismus.de](http://www.frankfurt-tourismus.de)



## Conference Schedule

### FRIDAY EVENING

- 5:00 pm Doors Open  
Check-in, mingle and catch up with old friends – and make some new ones!  
Peruse the displays and get some shopping in at the Trading Post.
- 6:00 pm Kickoff!  
Get in the Scouting spirit as we participate in Scouting Activities, have opportunities to win prizes, and enjoy presentations to ignite your love for Scouting and what it provides for our youth.
- 7:30 pm Clear Campus by 7:45
- 8:00 pm Cracker Barrel  
What’s a Scouting event without a Cracker Barrel? We will be hosting a Cracker Barrel with light refreshments at the Parkhotel am Tanus until 11:00 pm. Drinks will be your responsibility to purchase.

### SATURDAY

- 8:00 am Doors Open  
Check-in for those arriving Saturday morning.
- 8:30 am Opening Ceremonies
- 9:00 am Group Instruction  
Topic: Bringing Leave No Trace to your Unit
- 10:00 am Morning Small Group Classes: Sessions 1 & 2  
Refer to your schedule of classes you selected for location.
- 12:00 pm LUNCH!  
Lunch is provided as part of your registration fee. We will also include some entertaining activities and a presentation for the World Friendship Fund.
- 1:00 pm Group Instruction  
Refer to your schedule of classes you selected for location.
- 2:00 pm Afternoon Small Group Classes: Sessions 3, 4, & 5  
Refer to your schedule of classes you selected for location.
- 5:00 pm End of Class instructions  
Turn in evaluations. All attendees must vacate the FIS campus by 5:30 pm
- 7:00 pm Council Awards and Recognition Banquet  
We hope you will join us in the evening at our Council Recognition Banquet held at the Parkhotel am Taunus down the street from the Frankfurt International School. We’ll enjoy a catered meal and celebrate those who have provided exemplary Scouting to the Council as a whole.

### SUNDAY

- 9:00 am Guided Hike  
Rally at the Main Gates of Frankfurt International School and enjoy a guided hike through the beautiful surrounding forest.



## Class Descriptions

### GROUP INSTRUCTIONS

These classes will be presented to all attendees in the main hall, unless otherwise stated.

#### Saturday Morning Instruction:

9:00 – 9:50

##### BRINGING LEAVE NO TRACE TO YOUR UNIT – MAIN HALL

Instructed by Youth Trained Leaders: Lizzy Sprott, Sage Raymond, and Lauren Lower

What a great way to start our training day and remind us of our purpose in Scouting: Seeing Youth Leaders confident and capable of guiding and instructing us in our learning.

This instruction will teach about the value and practical methods of incorporating Leave No Trace into your Unit activities.

#### Saturday Afternoon Instruction:

13:00 – 13:50

Option 1

##### TRANSATLANTIC COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

This meeting will be held in the Auditorium, and led by the Council President

The Annual Meeting is open to all members of the Transatlantic Council. We encourage all #SAC2023 attendees to attend this meeting to learn what the Council has done to support and create Unparalleled Scouting for our youth over the past year and what is being planned for the future.

13:00 – 13:50

Option 2

##### COMMISSIONER SERVICE SUPPORTING UNITS – MAIN HALL

Instructed by: Ray Eden

If the Annual Meeting isn't your thing, we provide this alternative instruction to learn about Commissioner service. Volunteers in Commissioner Service are Unit Leader's first line of support for successful Scouting. Learn what they do and how to reach them for guidance about your Units.

#### Sunday Morning Hike:

9:00

Join us and enjoy the beauty of the forest! We will meet at the FIS Main Gate and depart from there.

Bryce Williams has designed a series of hikes for you to enjoy.

- ✦ The guided hike will teach you how to apply what you have learned in your instructions to the outdoor learning environment and put the Outing in ScOUTing.
- ✦ Prefer to go another way in your own small group? Use one of Bryce's maps as a guide and enjoy!



## Class Descriptions

### CUB SCOUTS INSTRUCTION

#### Morning Instruction:

10:00 – 10:50 AM

#### YEAR-ROUND SCOUTING

Instructed by Rich and Kym Price

Scouts is a year-round activity! Get ideas for Summertime activities to do with your Pack or Den. Learn how the National Summertime Pack Award and the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award can both enhance your program. Identify ways to best match Adventures with their ideal time of year.

The tips taught here will also help you to maintain visibility year-round and reach those from the States looking for a “taste of home.”

11:00 – 11:50 AM

#### FINDING THE FUN IN ADVENTURES

Instructed by Mindy Whitford

Enjoy being a Cub Scout for an hour participating in some of the Cub Scout Adventure requirements in a fun and interactive way. Learn how to combine Adventures to maximize the learning experiences possible in Scouting.

We will also help identify locations and events across the Transatlantic Council to support the learning fun.

#### Afternoon Instruction:

2:00 – 2:50 PM

#### CUB SCOUT PIZZAZ

Instructed Sarah Norman

Showmanship, games, cheers, and planning are all elements to putting on a great Pack Meeting, Campfire Ceremony, Awards Ceremony, or Special Event like the Blue & Gold banquet or a Pinewood Derby. Learn how to make the most impact regardless of your budget.

3:00 – 3:50 PM

#### PROMOTING YOUR UNIT

Instructed by Joseph Shram

This class will give you the tools and tactics, including the use of Social Media, you need to publicize your unit’s news and events to your community, your contributions to the community, and fundraisers.

4:00 – 4:50 PM

#### WEBELOS TO SCOUTS BSA TRANSITION

Instructed by Patrick Thomas

Preparing Webelos to join a Troop is a joint effort between the Pack and Troop. Learn how to build Pack-Troop relationship to support Webelos and build their confidence as they transition from an adult led to youth led program.

Learn how to plan events to help Webelos transition to a Troop as they are ready.



## Class Descriptions

### SCOUTS BSA INSTRUCTION

#### Morning Instruction:

10:00 – 10:50 AM

#### ORDER OF THE ARROW (OA)

Instructed by Mike Garst

Understand how the OA helps strengthen Scouting in your unit, how to nominate candidates, both youth and adult, to be part of the Order, and learn the expected outcome of Ordeal.

11:00 – 11:50 AM

#### INTRODUCTION TO LEADERSHIP SKILLS FOR TROOPS (ILST)

Instructed by Bryce Williams

Every wonder what an ILST is and how to run one? Here's your opportunity to learn and put one on in your Troop!

#### Afternoon Instruction:

2:00 – 2:50 PM

#### HANDS-OFF SCOUTING

Instructed by Cedric Sawyer

Learn how to implement Baden-Powell's (creator of Boy Scouts) philosophy on what "Youth-Run / Youth- Led" really means and the adult leader's role in this method. You'll also be provided tips and tricks on how to implement this philosophy in your Scouting unit.

3:00 – 3:50 PM

#### LIFE TO EAGLE – A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Instructed by John Myhre

This class will help Adult Unit leaders understand the journey to prepare Life Scouts to become Eagle Scouts. We'll cover specific rank requirements, the Eagle workbook, the Eagle project approval process (unit and district level aspects), and the Eagle Board of Review.

(No Eagle BoR secrets will be given away, but we will explain its purpose...hint: it's not a re-test!)

4:00 – 4:50 PM

#### PROMOTING YOUR UNIT

Instructed by Joseph Schram

Go beyond Webelos transition to draw NEW Scouts to your program. Find out what works to create awareness about your Troop and what it has to offer. Understand how to effectively use your online presence as well as your in-person actions to build excitement about your program.



## Class Descriptions

### COMMITTEE/GENERAL INSTRUCTION

#### Morning Instruction:

10:00 – 10:50 AM

#### MAXIMIZING CHARTER ORGANIZATION AND UNIT RELATIONSHIPS

Instructed by Mike Morro

Learn why Scouting has Charter Organizations and how they can work with the Scouting Units they sponsor to create a mutually beneficial relationship.

11:00 – 11:50 AM

#### VOLUNTEERS – OUR MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE

Instructed by Trey Jeager and Helen Oconnell

All units depend on adult volunteers. Where do they come from? How can we recruit more? How can we keep them? This class will give tips on how to charm even the busiest parents into volunteering in their units.

#### Afternoon Instruction:

2:00 – 2:50 PM

#### SCOUTBOOK BASICS

Instructed by Bryce Williams

Scoutbook is the BSA's scout tracking solution for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts. In this course you will learn the basics: how to set up Scoutbook for your unit, to track Scout progress, generate an advancement report, track unit dues and link to electronic payment systems, and other beginner topics.

3:00 – 3:50 PM

#### UNIT FINANCE RULES AND BEST PRACTICES

Instructed by Chris Wolfe

A great Scouting program needs a solid financial base. Learn how to take your unit down the path of stable finances and greater programming by understanding the essential pieces of fundraising, budgeting, accounts, and evaluation.

4:00 – 4:50 PM

#### STRONG COMMITTEES – THE BACKBONE OF SUCCESSFUL UNITS

Instructed by TAC Trey Jeager and Helen Oconnell

Everyone needs a good support system, including Scouting Units. This class will identify committee roles and how the committee provides support to strengthen the program as a whole.





## Class Descriptions

### YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTRUCTION

#### Morning Instruction:

10:00 – 10:50 AM

#### LEADING VS SERVING

This course will help encourage the Servant Leadership style of Leadership. Establish how leadership and service are interconnected. Provide examples of servant leadership and contrast them with other leadership styles. Develop an understanding that leaders should not act as "bosses" or "owners" of a group, but simply as just another member of a group. Discuss how servant leadership connects to the ideals of the Order of the Arrow as well as scouting as a whole and how it can be implemented into our daily lives.

Minimum Age: 12; Minimum Rank: Second Class

This class will be taught by Order of the Arrow youth. This class is part of the Order of the Arrow Lodge Leadership syllabus.

11:00 – 11:50 AM

#### GROUP COMMUNICATIONS

This training session will help Scouts to learn how to communicate with groups of various sizes through multiple different media.

Minimum Age: 12 Minimum Rank: Second Class

This class will be taught by Order of the Arrow youth. This class is part of the Order of the Arrow Lodge Leadership syllabus.

#### Afternoon Instruction:

1:00 – 1:50 PM

#### VISIONS AND HOW TO SHARE AND EXECUTE THEM

This session is for Scouts who want to learn how to make their visions become a reality. Scouts will learn what a vision is, why a vision should be created, explore the power of a vision, how to construct a vision, how to create goals and plan for your vision, how to make smart goals for your vision, to share your visions with others.

This class will be taught by Order of the Arrow youth. This class is part of the Order of the Arrow Lodge Leadership syllabus.

2:00 – 4:50 PM

#### DEN CHIEF TRAINING

Instructor: Billy Reinstatler

Learn how to Be a Den Chief. A Den Chief is a Scout, Venturer or Sea Scout assisting a Cub Scout den. The Den Chief serves as a Scouting role model for the Cub Scouts in the den, as well as the entire pack, promotes Scouting in general and the local troop, encourages the transition of Webelos Scouts into Scouts BSA, holds a leadership position in the troop or crew, thus fulfilling an advancement requirement in the unit.

Scouts must complete the online portion of training prior to attending this class.



## Class Descriptions

### EXECUTIVE BOARD TRAINING

These will be presented in the auditorium.

#### Morning Instruction:

10:00 – 11:50 AM

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER TRAINING

This course provides instruction to new executive board members, and any other board members interested in a refresher, beyond the online training.

Learn how to apply the knowledge gained in your online training to the unique circumstances of TAC, helping better guide your decisions and use of resources for the betterment of TAC overall. This is a two-hour course, with breaks as needed.

Details of courses will be provided to board members directly

#### Afternoon Instruction:

1:00 – 1:50 PM

#### TRANSATLANTIC COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

All voting members of the council are expected to attend and participate in the Annual Meeting and exercise their voting rights on the current and future actions of the council.

- ✦ Chartered Organization Representatives
- ✦ Council Executive Committee
- ✦ Council Executive Board

A virtual attendance option will be provided by email if needed for those members who cannot attend in person.

2:00 – 4:50 PM

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

All voting members of the council are expected to attend and participate in the Quarterly Executive Board Meeting and exercise their voting rights on the current and future actions of the council.

- ✦ Chartered Organization Representatives
- ✦ Council Executive Committee
- ✦ Council Executive Board

A virtual attendance option will be provided by email if needed for those members who cannot attend in person.